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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Western Washington—Rain.
Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington—Rain; possibly part snow.

STANDS FOR THE PEOPLE.

A chamber of commerce is a quasi-public institution and the greater volume of its influence is for the people. It is essentially a popular medium for expression and operation of municipal sentiment and action on questions affecting the people as a whole. The facilities for private and personal exploitation are at a minimum in its councils, and if exercised at all, are so done at peril of the commercial prestige of the persons attempting the same; therefore it may be trusted with the largest and most comprehensive of interests with almost perfect safety. Astoria has a body of this sort that is thoroughly well equipped with business brains and the right commercial spirit and if it is not doing all the people think it should, it is because the people themselves are not devoting the time and attention to it they might. It is their fault, first and last. The merest hint of a good thing is all a live chamber of commerce wants. It is qualified to handle the details, both preliminary and culminative, and the citizen with a bright and wholesome idea that means anything to his city is gravely at fault if he does not present it promptly at the chamber and demand its consideration. Commercial bodies are amenable to the limitation that besets all organic concerns; they may not exceed their powers, either of initiative or finality, and they take their orders from the people they stand for. This brings the whole situation squarely up to the citizens and if they do not help their chamber of commerce that body is, to the extent of their neglect, impotent to help the community.

RESPONSIBILITY IS SHIFTED.

If a scoundrel or a nincompoop is elected in June, to any office, by any section, or faction, the blessed public will have to stand the onus of having put up the imposition. The politician, while shorn of a big measure of his prestige, will have abundant cause to thank the Direct Primaries for taking the brunt of blunders and responsibility from his devoted shoulders. The real value of the primary law has yet to reveal itself, and many are looking, confidently, for a demonstration of its virtues and success and its establishment as a permanent feature of the political machinery of the State, and are hoping for it. And we are inclined to believe the hope is justified by the relief it already affords, in its incomplete and vague form, and that a wise revision and pruning of the cumbersome elements that now beset it, will make all its authors intended it, an honest, popular medium for the enunciation of the wishes and purposes of the constituencies, and in the end, the one all-embracing court of appeal for the adjustment of every political difference, doubt, hope, aspiration and contest that

may arise for arbitrament, with the responsibility for the judgment rendered, lying where it belongs. The individual may shunt his liability; the public has no such advantage. It is, and ever will be, wholly, and irrevocably, answerable for every blunder it may make, politically, and otherwise.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

It doesn't take long for the faint to rub off a dollar after you get it in your pocket.

Dancing is not as popular with religious people as it was in the days of King David.

A Boston hen was sold last week for \$750. She must have come over in the Mayflower.

Pittsburg, Pa., is now the sixth city in population in the United States, having over 500,000.

England's great fleet sums up a total of 580 ships. It is supported at a cost of \$150,000,000 a year.

At one time the Indians thought seriously of deporting the entire Caucasian race to the other world, but they abandoned the idea.

Speaking of going some, the House passed 429 pension bills recently in seventy-two minutes.

Not that it will make any difference—but the last coal strike cost something like \$100,000,000.

Governor Johnson of Minnesota says \$10,000 a year is enough for any man to receive for his services.

A wise guy informs us that the ankle is placed between the foot and the knee to keep the calf away from the corn.

Georgia traveling men want the legislature to make a law compelling the hotel keepers to provide clean sheets for every occupant.

England has 127,460 sailors; Russia, 65,000; France, 54,000; United States, 41,000; Germany, 35,000; Japan, 30,000; Italy, 27,000; Austria, 12,000.

Removing the duty on hides would inflict no hardship on American cattle-men who are unable to supply the demand; it would benefit a great industry.

There is a man in New York who has set his ambition at \$1,000,000,000 and if he ever lives to acquire it he will be sorry that it is not \$2,000,000,000.

The telephone people firmly believe it would lighten the burdens of the post-office clerks if everybody wrote fewer letters and used more telephones.

The Pittsburg physicians are puzzled over the case of a boy who, once having started to run, is unable to stop until he is exhausted, one time running twenty-three miles.

Australia has adopted the system of drying milk which is said to have been very successful in London. The milk is dried between steam rollers and sold as a powder.

A concession for a railway from Irkutsk to Behring Strait, to cost \$200,000,000, has been granted to a Franco-American company, which undertakes to build it without a government subvention.

Wives and husbands should take some pleasure as they go along, and not degenerate into mere toiling machines. Recreation is necessary to keep the heart in its place, and to get along without it is a big mistake.

The home most endeared to the heart of husband and wife is that which has been built up bit by bit. A little now and a little later on, wherein each piece of furniture represents many loving acts of self-denial.

Trade of the United States with Spain and Portugal amounted in the fiscal year 1905 to over \$34,000,000, according to a report issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor. Of this \$15,000,000 was imports and \$19,000,000 exports.

"Sleep out of doors if you want to know the wild joy of living," was the advice given to society women by Mrs. Blanche C. Martin, an apostle of outdoor life, in New York recently. It is a cure for many diseases. She wears just a simple white linen or muslin night gown and is warm even at 20 below zero. But don't start the habit when it is that cold.

Last year the United States alone made 300,000 cameras, working with the mere pressure of a bulb or button.

So far this winter twelve men have died with cold in the City of Mexico and a man has been overcome with the heat in Pittsburg.

Dr. William Osler's mother recently entered her 100th year at her home in Canada.

Two boys went to market with 60 ducks. The larger boy took 30 of the largest ducks and sold them two for \$1. The smaller boy took the remaining 30 ducks and sold them three for \$1. They received for their ducks \$25. When they got home they told their father they sold their ducks at the rate of five for \$2 and gave him \$24. Explain how it was possible for the boys to make the dollar by this transaction.

There are two words, simple enough in themselves, that introduce untold trouble into the world and are responsible for more gossip, scandal and harm than any other two words in the English language. These two little words are nothing more than "They say." They have done more to ruin reputations than any other thing. If you never quote what "they say," you may be quite certain you are not a gossip.

Henry Macfarlane, a well-to-do young man of Orangedale, Cape Breton, has married Bertha MacGregor, a pretty young woman of Whyocomaugh, after signing a unique contract in which he agrees:

To wash the supper dishes every day except Sunday.

Darn his own socks.

Visit his mother-in-law three times a year.

Give up smoking.

Drink tea instead of coffee.

Attend meeting regularly.

Wear whiskers (if he can raise 'em).

Kiss his wife before and after every meal except on Sunday.

Itching Piles.

If you are acquainted with anyone who is troubled with this distressing ailment you can do him no greater favor than to tell him to try Chamberlain's Salve. It gives instant relief. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

No Case of Pneumonia on Record

There is no case on record of a cold resulting in Pneumonia, or other serious lung trouble, after

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR

had been taken.

It stops the cough and heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold.

Do not take chances on a cold wearing away or experiment with some unknown preparation that costs you the same as Foley's Honey and Tar. Remember the name and get the genuine.

A Severe Cold for Three Months.

The following letter from A. J. Nussbaum, of Batesville, Ind., tells its own story: "I suffered for three months with a severe cold. A druggist prepared me some medicine, and a physician prescribed for me, yet I did not improve. I then tried Foley's Honey and Tar, and eight doses cured me."

Three sizes—25c, 50c, \$1.00. The 50 cent size contains two and one-half times as much as the small size and the \$1.00 bottle almost six times as much.

SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY CHAS. ROGERS, Druggist.

ALL THAT IS LEFT.

So great is the mind of a sweet-minded woman on those around her that it is almost boundless. It is to her that we all go in seasons of sorrow and sickness for help and comfort; one soothing touch of her kindly hands works wonders upon the feverish child; a few words dropped from her lips in the ear of a sorrow-stricken sister do much to raise the load of grief that is bowing its victim down to the dust in anguish. The husband comes home worn out with the pressure of business and feeling irritable with the world in general, but when he enters the cozy sitting room and sees the blaze of fire, and meets his wife's smiling face, he succumbs in a moment to the soothing influence which act as the balm of Gilead school boy flies into a rage from the taunts of his companions to find solace in his mother's smile; the little one full of grief with its large troubles finds a haven of rest on its mother's breast; and so one might go on with instance after instance of the influence that a sweet-minded woman has in the social life with which she is connected. Beauty is an insignificant power when compared with hers.

A Habit to Be Encouraged.

The mother who has acquired the habit of keeping on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saves herself a great amount of uneasiness and anxiety. Coughs, colds and croup, to which children are susceptible are quickly cured by its use. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and if given as soon as the first symptoms of croup appear, it will prevent the attack. This remedy contains nothing injurious and mothers give it to little ones with a feeling of perfect security. Sold by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

POLITICAL COLUMN.

Announcements of candidates for office will be published in this column at reasonable rates for men of all parties.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Republicans of Oregon are hereby informed that I am a candidate for the nomination of Governor at the primaries to be held April 20th.

JAMES WITTHCOMBE.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Secretary of State, and ask the support of all Republicans.

F. T. WRIGHTMAN.

FOR STATE PRINTER.

The undersigned announces himself as a Republican candidate for renomination for State Printer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election, April 20.

Now serving first term. The same courtesy that has been accorded to State officers generally, that of a renomination, would be greatly appreciated.

J. R. WHITNEY.

Albany, Oregon.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for renomination for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and solicit the support of all Republicans at the primaries, April 20th.

J. H. ACKERMAN.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The undersigned hereby announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Attorney-General, subject to the approval of Republican voters at the primaries.

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Health of American Women

A Subject Much Discussed at Women's Clubs—The Future of a Country Depends on the Health of Its Women.



At the New York State Assembly of Mothers, a prominent New York doctor told the 500 women present that healthy American women were so rare as to be almost extinct.

This seems to be a sweeping statement of the condition of American women. Yet how many do you know who are perfectly well and do not have some trouble arising from a derangement of the female organism which manifests itself in headaches, backaches, nervousness, that bearing-down feeling, painful or irregular periods, pelvic catarrh, displacement of the female organs, indigestion or sleeplessness? There is a tried and true remedy for all these ailments. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored more American women to health than all other remedies in the world. It regulates, strengthens and cures diseases of the female organism as nothing else can. For thirty years it has been curing the worst forms of female complaints.

Such testimony as the following should be convincing.

Mrs. T. C. Willadsen, of Manning, Ia., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:— "I can truly say that you have saved my life and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For two years I spent lots of money in doctoring without any benefit for female irregularities and I had given up all hopes of ever being well again, but I was persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three bottles have restored me to perfect health. Had it not been for you I would have been in my grave to-day."

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